GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Agricultural Marketing Department – Departmental proceedings initiated against Sri N. Aravind Kumar, former Executive Engineer(M), T.R., Hyderabad and others for allegation of irregularities in purchase of GCI Sheets at A.M.C., Thungathurthy, Nalgonda District – Further action dropped – Orders – Issued.

AGRICULTURE & COOPERATION (VIG.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 52

<u>Dated:13-01-2012</u> Read the following:-

- 1. GORt.No.1886, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.31-12-2005.
- 2. GORt.No.1887, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.31-12-2005.
- 3. GORt.No.1888, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.31-12-2005.
- 4. GORt.No.1889, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.31-12-2005.
- From Sri B. Nagabhushanam, Asst.Secretary, Written statement of defence dt.27-01-2006.
- 6. From Sri N. Aravind Kumar, E.E(AM), Written statement of defence dt.28-01-2006.
- 7. From Sri G. Raghu Raj, Special Grade Secretary, Written statement of defence, dt.08-02-2006.
- 8. From Sri M. Ansar, DEE(M), Written statement of defence, dt.03-03-2006.
- 9. Govt.Memo No.18441/Vig.II(1)/2005-2, dt.12-05-2006.
- 10. GORt.No.376, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.09-04-2007.
- 11. GORt.No.1196, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.29-09-2009.
- 12. GORt.No.1632, Agri. & Coop.(Vig.II)Dept., dt.18-11-2010.
- 13. From APAT Judgment dt,22-06-2011 in O.A.No.5697/2009.
- 14. From COI(SB), Inquiry Report dt.17-10-2011.

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ORDER:

In a disciplinary case, departmental proceedings were initiated by framing article of charge against (1)Sri N. Aravind Kumar, former Executive Engineer(M), T.R., Hyderabad, (2) Sri M. Ansar, former Deputy Executive Engineer(M), Nalgonda, (3) Sri Raghu Raj, former Secretary, AMC, Thungathurthy, Nalgonda & (4) Sri B. Nagabhushanam, former In-Charge Secretary, A.M.C., Thungathurthy, Nalgonda District for allegation of irregularities in purchase of GCI Sheets at A.M.C., Thungathurthy, Nalgonda District in the references 1st to 4th read above, respectively.

- 2. All the Charged Officers have submitted their written statements of defence denying the charge framed against them. As the written statements of defence submitted by the Charged Officers were found not convincing, Government have entrusted the case to Commissionerate of Inquiries by appointing Dr. A. Madhusudhan Reddy, I.A.S.(Retired) as Inquiry Authority to conduct inquiry into the charge framed against all the (4) Charged Officers. Subsequently, in the reference 12th read above, revised orders were issued appointing Dr. Subhrendu Bhattacharya, I.A.S., Commissioner of Inquiries as Inquiry Authority to conduct common inquiry into the charges framed against all the Charged Officers in the matter.
- 3. One of the Charged Officers viz. Sri N. Aravind Kumar, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired) has filed O.A.No.5697/2009 before the Hon'ble A.P. Administrative Tribunal praying to set aside the disciplinary proceedings initiated against him. The Hon'ble A.P. Administrative Tribunal, in its judgment dt.22-06-2011 in O.A.No.5697/2009 have ordered as follows:-

"In the facts and circumstances of the case, the respondents are directed to complete the enquiry within a period of eight weeks from the date of receipt of a copy of this order and then take appropriate action as per rules regarding release of terminal benefits and full pension of the applicant".

4. After conducting common inquiry, the Commissioner of Inquiries has furnished the inquiry report dt.17-10-2011 concluding that the charge against the (3) Charged Officers viz. (1)Sri N. Aravind Kumar, former Executive Engineer(M), T.R., Hyderabad, (2) Sri M. Ansar, former Deputy Executive Engineer(M), Nalgonda & (3) Sri Raghu Raj, former Secretary, A,M,C,, Thungathurthy, Nalgonda are held not proved.

- 5. Government, after careful examination of the entire matter with reference to the Judgment dt.22-06-2011 of Hon'ble A.P. Administrative Tribunal in O.A.No.5697/2009 and the inquiry report dt.17-10-2011 of the Commissioner of Inquiries, have decided to drop further action against the (3) Charged Officers viz. (1)Sri N. Aravind Kumar, former Executive Engineer(M), T.R., Hyderabad, (2) Sri M. Ansar, former Deputy Executive Engineer(M), Nalgonda & (3) Sri Raghu Raj, former Secretary, A.M.C., Thungathurthy, Nalgonda, in the above disciplinary case.
- 6. As such, Government hereby order to drop further action against the (3) Charged Officers viz. (1)Sri N. Aravind Kumar, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired), (2) Sri M. Ansar, former Deputy Executive Engineer(M), Nalgonda & (3) Sri Raghu Raj, former Secretary, A.M.C., Thungathurthy, Nalgonda, in the above disciplinary case.
- 7. The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Hyderabad shall take necessary action in the matter, accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

I.Y.R. KRISHNA RAO PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To

(1)Sri N. Aravind Kumar, Executive Engineer(M)(Retired)

(2) Sri M. Ansar, former Deputy Executive Engineer(M), Nalgonda &

(3) Sri Raghu Raj, former Secretary, A.M.C., Thungathurthy, Nalgonda

(Through: the Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, Hyderabad)

Copy to:-

The Commissioner and Director of Agricultural Marketing, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Secretary, A.P. Vigilance Commission, Hyderabad.

The Government Pleader for Marketing, A.P. Administrative Tribunal, Hyderabad. Sc/Sf.

// FORWARDED :: BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER